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Amendment No. 1 to SB2636

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2636*

House Bill No. 2661

By deleting subsections (a)(1), (a)(3) and (a)(5) of Section 63-6-709, of the amendatory language of SECTION 1 and substituting instead the following:

(1) "Crisis response services" means consultation, risk assessment, referral, and crisis intervention services provided by a critical incident stress management team to individuals affected by crisis or disaster;

(3) "Crisis intervention" means a session at which crisis response services are rendered by a critical incident stress management team member during or after a crisis or disaster;

(5) "Training Session" means a session providing crisis response training by a qualified trained trainer utilizing the standards established by the accrediting agencies set out in subdivision (4);

FURTHER AMEND by deleting subsection (b) of Section 63-6-709 of the amendatory language of SECTION 1 and substituting instead the following:

(b)

(1) Any volunteer crisis response team member who participates in a crisis intervention shall not be liable in tort for any personal injuries or infliction of emotional distress caused by an act or an omission occurring during the course of the crisis intervention.

(2) The provisions of subdivision (b)(1) shall not apply unless the intervention or training is conducted within generally accepted protocols of a registered team as defined by a nationally recognized accrediting agency.

FURTHER AMEND by adding a new subdivision to subsection (c) to Section 63-6-709 of the amendatory language of SECTION 1:

(7) If damages resulted from gross negligence of the team member.